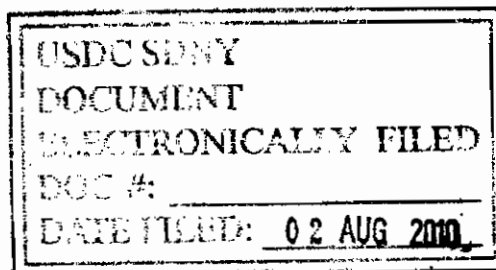


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United States District Court for the
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MEMO ENDORSED

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Civ. Act. No.: 10-cv-04233 (LTS)
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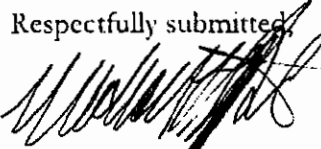
Dear Judge Swain:

This office represents the defendants in the above-referenced matter.

We write to request an extension of time to appear and respond to the Complaint in this matter on behalf of the defendants. The defendants' response was due by July 26, 2010. On July 22, 2010, we previously wrote to Judge Sweet, who was originally assigned to this case to request a short extension for defendants to respond to the Complaint to on or before August 24, 2010. Plaintiff's counsel consents to the request and this extension does not effect any previously scheduled dates set by the Court. Plaintiff's counsel recently alerted me to the fact that the matter was reassigned to you. We therefore request that you endorse the parties' consent extension of time to answer.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.


Respectfully submitted,


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cc: Elizabeth L. Koob, Esq. (via facsimile 914-964-8801)

*The request is granted.***SO ORDERED.**

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Aug 2, 2010 LAURA TAYLOR SWAIN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE